

SUMMARY OF ELECTION REQUIREMENT

The Examiner has required election as follows:

As to the claimed filling step:

- a) filling the holes with molten solder;
- b) filling the holes with solder paste.

As to the claimed holes producing step:

- a) producing the holes by laser drilling;
- b) producing the holes by plasma etching;
- c) producing the holes by chemical etching;
- d) producing the holes by photoimaging.

ELECTION

As to the claimed filling step, Applicant provisionally elects filling the holes with **solder paste**.

As to the claimed holes producing step, Applicant provisionally elects **laser drilling**.

The claims reading on the above elections are:

7, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22

CONCLUSION

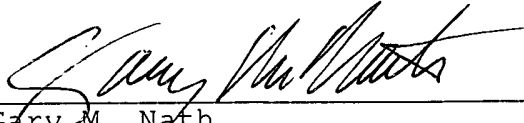
In light of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner conduct a first substantive examination of the elected species and claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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